

PRESERVATION TRADES RESOURCE LIST
Compiled by the
McHenry County Joint Council of Historic Groups

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The following restoration specialists have either been recommended to, or requested that their information be included on, the McHenry County Joint Council of Historic Groups (MCJCHG) Preservation Trades Resource List. This list is provided as a beginning resource for those embarking on a historic preservation project. MCJCHG assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of the information presented nor does it endorse any of the companies or individuals listed. MCJCHG strongly recommends the property owner interview the company or individual being considered, get accurate estimates, check references, see examples of previous work and consider warranties or guarantees of workmanship prior to hiring any of these companies or individuals.

APPRAISALS

Antiques & Personal Property:

Debbie & Jim McArdle

Iron Horse Antiques & Appraisers

815-455-3922

www.ironhorseantiques.com

Buy, Sell & Appraise. Member: New England Appraisers Assn.

ARCHITECTURAL MATERIALS (PERIOD):

Resource for:

(See "Appraisals: Antiques" - Debbie & Jim McArdle)

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

John Jurewicz, AIA

A Architects

217 W. Judd St.

Woodstock, IL 60098 815-337-4800

www.aarchitects.net

www.cadmobile.com

jj@aarchitects.net

Carriage house drawings for Thomas Stillwell Huntley House, Huntley, IL

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

John M. Behrens, Architect

823 Wedgewood Drive

Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815-477-9053

www.johnbehrensarchitect.com

johnbehrens@sbcglobal.net

Residential remodeling and new construction; providing as-built drawings of existing buildings

Richard Bierman

R.B. Custom Designs Inc.

2108 W. Johnsburg Road

Johnsburg, IL 60051 815-759-9459; fax 815-307-8200

www.rbcustomdesignsinc.com

Rick is on the MCHS Historical Sites Commission

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES (CON'T.)

John Hammer
Living Timbers
Post & Beam and Heavy Timber Structures
PO Box 421
Union, IL 60180 847-217-4365
www.livingtimbers.com
jhammer@livingtimbers.com
John is a member of the MCHBPA

ART WORK

Historic Architectural Pen & Ink Drawings & Renderings:

Kathleen Rickert Nelson
728 Northwest Hwy. #30
Fox River Grove, IL 60021 847-462-1734
www.KathleenNelsonFineArt.com
Kathleen@KathleenNelsonFineArt.com
Info@KathleenNelsonFineArt.com

Kathleen attended a MCJCHG meeting and showed her work to Nancy Fike, MCHS, and other members

Other:

(See: "Woodcarving", Michael Bihlmaier)

BARN REPAIR

Housewright Dura-Build Ltd. (residential, new and rehab)
Nick Chirikos
847-658-3434
Primary trade is Insulated Concrete Wall Systems; distributor of Logix Products, <http://www.logixicf.com>; barn foundation repair.
Nick serves on the MCHPC and the MCHBPA.
(also see "Construction")

BLACKSMITH

John Gehringer
Gehringer Bros., Inc.
261 N. State Street
P.O. Box 273
Hampshire, IL 60140-0273 847-683-4649 (h); 847-683-2401 (o)
Metal repair work on a Clow & Sons vintage, cast-iron fountain.
Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

(Also see: "Metalwork")

BRICKWORK

(See "Masonry/Stonework")
(Also see "Carpentry and Building Restoration - A.R. Lass Construction")

CABINET MAKER / TRIM FINISHER

Dave LaBudde

2691 N. Tower Rd.

Freeport, IL 815-238-1083; 815-297-0139

Kitchen cabinetry, built-in library bookcases and other projects for several historic homes in Huntley.

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

(Also see "Carpentry" - Dave Rudsinski)

CABINETS:

Homestead Millwork

155 N. Taylor Street

Marengo, IL 815-568-3803

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

CARPENTRY (General):

Ryan Carr

517 Sunset Drive

Marengo, IL 815-404-9966

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

Don Regan

Antioch, IL 847-395-8785

donalddj.regan@att.net

Project: Schaumburg Park District barn rehab

Dave Rudsinski

312 8th Avenue

Marengo, IL 815-568-8458

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

CARPENTRY (Master):

Dave Rudsinski and Arlo Leibert

16915 N. Rt 14, Woodstock, IL 815-338-4018

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

CARPENTRY AND BUILDING RESTORATION

Adam Lass

A.R. Lass Construction

723 W. Algonquin Rd.

Arlington Heights, IL 60005 847-483-8838; fax: 847-483-8663

Carpentry, brickwork and window work at historic fish hatchery building in Spring Grove. They also scraped, washed, primed and re-painted the building. Referred by Laura Frumet of the Village of Spring Grove.

CARPENTRY AND BUILDING RESTORATION (CON'T.)

Rob Rosemann

Rosemann & Sons, Inc.

16504 Kunde Road

Union, IL 60180 815-923-2287

Projects include restoration work at Perkins Hall, Seneca Township Hall addition, built the bell tower for West Harmony School on the museum grounds and other County work. Referred by the MCHS group

(Also see: "Carpentry" - Dave Rudsinski)

(Also see: "Renovations/Restorations" - John Lewis)

(Also see: "Renovations/Restorations" - Quality Painting & Carpentry)

CONSTRUCTION

Carmichael Construction

1080 E. Grant Hwy

Marengo, IL 815-568-8337

Residential, Business Additions (drawings/foundations/framing)

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

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847-658-3434

Primary trade is Insulated Concrete Wall Systems; distributor of Logix Products, <http://www.logixicf.com>

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(also see "Barn Repair")

Construction Manager:

(See "Architectural Services" - Living Timbers/John Hammer)

DRYWALL

Mike Schultheis

Drywall Dimensions

815-344-0222

M.Schultheis@comcast.net

Mike has remodeled some of the older homes in McHenry.

Referred by Mary Dixon, Pres. McHenry Area Historical Society

ELECTRICAL

(See "Carpentry - General" - Ryan Carr)

FLOORING AND FLOOR INSTALLATION

Providers:

Century Tile

200 Washington

Woodstock, IL 815-337-0400

Provided mosaic hex and square tile in 3 historic Huntley homes

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

FLOORING AND FLOOR INSTALLATION (CON'T.)

Ridgefield Industries, Inc.
8420 Railroad St.
Crystal Lake, IL 60012 815-356-9490
Provided maple flooring for historic home in Huntley
Referred by Tom & Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

(Also see "Cabinetry" - Homestead Millwork)

Floor Installers:

Shaban Banushi - tile & laminate installation
815-861-6278 (c); 815-338-1042 (h); 815-294-0601 (pager)
Installed hex-mosaic tile bathroom floors in two historic homes in Huntley
Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

(Also see: "Carpentry - General" - Ryan Carr)

FLOOR REFINISHING

A & R Wood Floors
19N226 Woodview Pkway
Hampshire, IL 847-683-1233
Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

John Ernst
Oakhill Enterprises
10612 Carl St.
Huntley, IL 60142 847-669-3704
oakhilenterprises@att.net

Refinished floors in three historic Huntley homes. Referred by Tom & Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

Tony Suchy
Cary 847-639-1287
Referred by Bob Frenz, MCHS

FURNITURE RESTORATION

Robert Anderson
Alden Valley Antiques
923D Alden Rd.
Alden, IL 60033 815-648-2860
Referred by the MCHS group

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

George Diedrich
2020 W. Church St. 60050
McHenry, IL 60050 815-385-7303
Referred by Bob Frenz, MCHS

GENERAL CONTRACTOR (CON'T.)

Furlano Construction

Jerry Furlano

9210 Shadow Lane

Bull Valley, IL 815-337-3711

furlanoconst@comcast.net

Project: Converted vintage Woodstock dairy barn into a beautiful home

Referred by Woodstock business owners Dan & Cheri Gould of Lloyd's Paint and Paper

GLASS WORK (cut glass, stained glass, windows, mirrors):

Ameriglass & Mirror

2300 S. Eastwood (Rt. 47)

Woodstock, IL 815-338-8377

Suppliers of plate and window glass and wall mirrors for several historic homes in Huntley

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

Arthur Nesser Studio

Algonquin, IL 847-658-6172

www.nesserartglass.com

studio@nesserartglass.com

Restored antique, stained and beveled-glass doors in Thomas Stillwell Huntley House. Created period-appropriate stained glass floor lamp shade. Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

Harvard Glass & Mirror

100 S. Ayer

Harvard, IL 815-943-3650 (Brian)

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

Greg McCoy Glass Studio

238 Hoy Avenue

Woodstock, IL 60098 815-338-7810

gregmccoy@owc.net

Stained/beveled glass restoration expert. Project: Restored Tiffany Mermaid window at Field Museum, Chicago

Robert Stewart, Glass Artist

6408 Hilly Way

Cary, IL 60013 847-639-3017

www.robertstewartglassboxes.com

Dole Mansion glass restoration. Referred by Nancy Fike, MCHS

LANDSCAPING

Bill Ruth

13417 Ernesti Rd.

Huntley, IL 847-669-5212

Project: Thomas Stillwell Huntley House. Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

LIGHTING (HISTORIC) RESTORATION

Lumenelle, Inc.
Lighting Restoration, Design, & Mfg.
Peter Janko, President
PO Box 6
Union, IL 60180-0006 815-572-5664; Fax 866-396-3550
www.lumenelle.com
info@lumenelle.com

Referred by Nancy Fike, MCHS

LUMBER

Customized:

Kirkland Saw Mill
606 W. Main Street
Kirkland, IL 815-522-6150
Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

Precut-retailer:

Woodstock Lumber
1101 Lake Avenue
Woodstock, IL 815-338-0075
Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP
Project: Renovation of several historic homes in Huntley. Referred by Tom & Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

MASONRY / STONEMWORK (chimney replacement/stone foundation exterior):

Dale Guhrke
23017 Grange Road
Marengo, IL 815-568-2796
Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

METALWORK

Robert Anderson
Alden Valley Antiques
823D Alden Rd.
Alden, IL 60033 815-648-2860
Outdoor tin and zinc work. Referred by the MCHS group

(Also see "Blacksmith")

PAINTING

Dan Bowers (also Varnishing)
1100 N. East Street
Marengo, IL 815-568-5097
Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

Nor Decorating, Inc. - Henrik Nor, Owner
Interior & Exterior - Commercial & Residential
Painting/Wallpapering/Faux Finishes/Airless Spraying
11908 Mead Ave., Hebron, IL 815-648-4556
Painted stucco exterior of the Thomas Stillwell Huntley House. Referred by Tom & Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

PAINTING (CON'T.)

Painting in Partnership, Inc.

Mario Guertin

518 N. Brockway

Palatine, IL 847-612-5812 (Cell)

mario@paintpartner.com

www.PaintPartner.com

Swanson Painting Inc.

Bill Swanson

27 East Main St.

Cary IL 60013 847-639-0480

www.swansonpainting.com

bswanson55@gmail.com

Wall-Pro Painting Services

Rodney 'Pags', Owner

Interior/Exterior/Wall Repair/Faux Finishes

Professional Custom Painting

815-206-5800 tel/fax.; 847-636-8300 cell

rodneypags@att.net

wallpropainting.com

Member: Painting and Decorating Contractors of America (PDCA.Org); Woodstock Chamber of Commerce

Rodney is a WHPC board member

(also see "Renovations/Restorations"-- Quality Painting and Carpentry)

PLASTER/PLASTER REPAIR:

Mohawk Plastering Corporation

200 Opartny Drive

Fox River Grove, IL 60021 847-639-1484

Stucco skirt repair to historic Huntley house. Referred by Tom & Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

(Also see "Painting" - Dan Bowers)

(Also see "Painting" - Wall-Pro Painting Services, Rodney 'Pags')

PLUMBING

Air Management Services (Old radiator style installations)

815-568-1440 (Mark Anderson)

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

McElroy Plumbing, Inc.

Bill McElroy (Owner) bill@mcelroyplumbing.com

Sean McElroy (Hydronics, High Efficiency Mechanical Options) sean@mcelroyplumbing.com

950 N. Rand Rd. Unit 108

Wauconda, IL 60084 (O) 847-526-8030

www.mcelroyplumbing.com

Full-service plumbing and hydronic heating company.

Referred by Erin McElroy of Crystal Lake Lakeside Legacy

RENOVATIONS / RESTORATIONS

Bowser Remodeling

Brent J. Bowser (Owner)

847-602-1076; Fax 847-239-7405

www.bowserremodeling.com

bowserremodeling@yahoo.com

Room Additions, Kitchens, Baths, Basements, Siding, Windows, Commercial Build-Outs, Certified for Lead Abatement

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC & HHS, for renovation work done on two, vintage Huntley homes

John Lewis

Pro Op Services, Inc.

7420 Keystone Rd.

Richmond, IL 60071 815-653-4429

Expertise and installation for most trades involved in restoration projects, historical and otherwise. All inclusive restorationist. Referred by Debbie McArdle, DAR, Kishwaukee Trail Chapter

John and Holly Wiedmeyer

Quality Painting and Carpentry

73 N. Liberty

Elgin, IL 60120-5747 847-697-5296

www.QualityPaintingandCarpentry.com

Award winning experts in the field of historical building restoration

SANDBLASTING / PAINTING

Robert Parisot

R.P. Services

1311 McKinley Ave.

Belvidere, IL 61008 815-547-5599

Sandblasted, primed and painted an 11x 9 foot Clow & Sons vintage cast-iron fountain for T.S. Huntley House.

Referred by Tom and Barb Conley, HHPC, HHS

SINK RESURFACING:

ARK Services

165 Prairie Lake Road, Unit B,

E. Dundee, IL 773-763-6600

Project: Renovation - J.H. Patterson Home, Marengo. Referred by MSHP

STAINED GLASS

See "Glass Work"

STONEMWORK

See "Masonry/Stonework"

TILE FLOORS/INSTALLATION

See "Flooring and Floor Installation"

TRIM FINISHING

See "Cabinet Maker/Trim Finisher"

VARNISHING

See "Painting"

WINDOWS / MIRRORS

See "Glass Work"

WINDOW REPAIR / RESTORATION

Kruppen Woodworks, Inc.

611 Walworth St.

PO Box 427

Genoa City, WI 53128 262-279-2001; 262-279-2295 (fax)

kw@kwwinc.com

Project: Dole mansion window sash replication. Referred by Diana Kenney, CLHS

(Also see "Carpentry and Building Restoration" - A. R. Lass Construction)

WOODCARVING

Michael Bihlmaier

Professional Chainsaw Sculptor

815-404-6375; 815-568-5216

mjbihlmaier@msn.com

www.7-sons.com

Project: Wood sculptures at entrance to McHenry County Historical Society Museum

Key:

- CLHS: Crystal Lake Historical Society
- DAR: Daughters of the American Revolution
- HHPC: Huntley Historic Preservation Commission
- HHS: Huntley Historical Society
- MAHS: McHenry Area Historical Society
- MCHBPA: McHenry County Historical Barn Preservation Association
- MCHPC: McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission
- MCHS: McHenry County Historical Society
- MCJCHG: McHenry County Joint Council of Historic Groups
- MSHP: Marengo Society for Historic Preservation
- WHPC: Woodstock Historic Preservation Commission